VII. *Part of a Letter from Dr* J. Wallace, *F. R. S. to the Publiſher, concerning a Stone cut out of the Bladder, having hair in it,* &c.

I Am ſorry I can give ſo ill an account of theſe things you wrote of to me: For that of Sir *William Elliot*'s piſſing Hair at ſeveral times, I had from Sir *Archibald Stevenſon* and Dr *Pitcairn*, his Phyſicians; and after his death I did ſee with the Doctor at the Lady *Elliot*'s Lodgings in *Edinburg*, the Stone that was taken out of his Bladder, which was about the bigneſs of a Gooſe Egg; the Stone was hard and heavy, and for the moſt part cover'd over with a Scurf, not unlike the Lime-morter of Walls, and in the chinks of the Scurf there were ſome Hairs grown out. 'Twas thought the other Hairs he piſs'd in his life time, which were a great many, and ſome of an extraordinary length, did grow out of that Stone, becauſe when the Hairs would hang out at his *Penis*, as they did frequently, to his great torment, they were oblig'd to pull them out, which was always with that reſiſtance as if pluck'd out by the root. This is all I can now remember; but Dr *Pitcairn*, if you'll pleaſe to write to him, will no doubt give you a full account of the matter. It was too from the Doctor I had the diſcovery of the Cheat of theſe Stones that an account was ſent you of, and which you publiſh'd in the Phil. Tran. N. 242. p. 264. The particulars of that ſtory

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I have quite forgot; all I remember is, that Dr *Pitcairn* was at the pains to find out the Impoſture; and it was found at laſt that a roguiſh Boy to be kept from School, had ſo much cunning as to impoſe on a fond Mother and other people.

Battel, October 25. 1700.

VIII. *Part of a Letter from Dr* GeorgeGarden *to the Publiſher, concerning a Stone cut from a Child, having a Flint within it.*

THere was a remarkable paſſage that fell out in this Shire concerning a young Boy of five or ſix years of age, who was Cut of the Stone, and when the Stone was taken out of the Bladder, being by accident broke a little, there was to be ſeen within it a Flint Stone ſhaped like to that of a Piſtol, with the Calculus cruſted about it. I ſaw this Gravel Stone with my eyes, having the Flint in one ſide of it, but cruſted above. It is ſtill in the Cuſtody of the Child's Father-in-Law, one Mr *Alexander Robertſon*, Miniſter of the Church of *Longſide*, in *Buchan*, and the Surgeon was one Mr *Smith*, who lives near to *Gordoun Caſtle*. That the Flint has not been formed in the Bladder, but that this might have been occaſioned by the Boys ſwallowing of the Flint Stone, ſeems probable from another ſtrange inſtance of a man in the ſame Country, his voiding